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**NOTICE OF EXPRESS ABANDONMENT**

The above-identified Applicants hereby expressly abandon U.S. Patent Application No. 09/891,663, filed June 27, 2001, for STENT DELIVERY SYSTEM AND METHOD OF USE. The abandonment of this application is without prejudice or disclaimer of any subject matter disclosed and/or claimed in this application, including the subject matter of claims 69-108. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any subject matter disclosed and/or claimed in this application, including the subject matter of claims 69-108, in another application, including applications which claim the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 of this application, such

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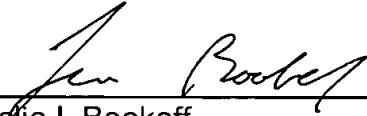
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as, for example, in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/625,536, filed July 24, 2003, or an application claiming the benefit of priority to U.S. Application No. 10/625,536.

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